

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

ORDER NO. 94-006
NPDES NO. CA0006220

RESCISSION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR:

TEXACO, INC.
PETROLEUM PRODUCT STORAGE TERMINAL
REDWOOD CITY, SAN MATEO COUNTY

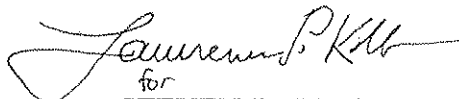
The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region
(hereinafter called the Board) finds that:

1. Texaco, Inc. formerly owned and operated a tank farm located at 475 Seaport Boulevard in Redwood City, for the storage of petroleum products.
2. The Board, on January 16, 1979, adopted Waste Discharge Requirements, NPDES Permit, Order No. 79-5, for Texaco Inc. for the discharge of storm water runoff containing pollutants to a drainage ditch tributary to Redwood Creek. The storm water regulated by Order No. 79-5 is that which is collected within the berm surrounding the tank farm. The pollutants were petroleum products from occasional spillage within the bermed area, and water bleed-off from the storage tanks.
3. The expiration date of the NPDES permit is January 16, 1983. The conditions of the permit were continued in effect, in accordance with procedures specified in NPDES permit regulations, by letter of the Executive Officer, dated January 13, 1983.
4. By letter dated August 10, 1982, Pilot Petroleum Corporation (hereinafter called Pilot) notified Board staff that Pilot purchased the facility and has taken over the responsibility as discharger for compliance with the NPDES Permit.
5. On September 29, 1990, Gibson/Pilot J.V. converted the facility into a RCRA (Resource Conservation and Recovery Act) hazardous waste treatment and storage facility primarily for wastewaters contaminated with hydrocarbons. Treatment consists of oil/water separation, flocculation, filtration, and activated carbon adsorption. Treated wastewaters are discharged to the South Bayside System Authority (SBSA) treatment plant. Gibson/Pilot J.V. was a joint venture between Pilot and Gibson Environmental Inc. Sometime in 1992, Gibson Environmental Inc. become sole operator of the facility and responsibility for compliance with the Permit transferred to Gibson Environmental.

6. Board staff last inspected the facility on November 4, 1993, to verify the conditions. It was determined that the only discharge to surface waters from the facility consists of storm water runoff from within the bermed tank farm area, the paved parking area and driveway, and some graveled areas. The bleed-off water is handled as contaminated wastewater and discharge SBSA. The storm water runoff is treated through an API oil water separator prior to discharge to the creek.
7. The storm water from this facility classifies as storm water associated with industrial activity and is required to be permitted pursuant to federal regulations (40CFR122). The State Water Resources Control Board issued General Permit No. CAS000001 (WQ Order No. 91-13, as amended), for Storm Water Discharges Associated With Industrial Activities. Gibson Environmental filed a Notice of Intent dated December 6, 1993, for coverage under this General Permit.
8. The Board finds that the requirements specified in the General Permit are adequate regulation of the industrial storm water discharge from this facility. No site specific permit is necessary at this time. Thus, Permit No. CA0006220 will be rescinded.
9. The rescission of waste discharge requirements for this discharge is exempt from the provisions of Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 21000 of Division 13) of the Public Resources Code (CEQA) pursuant to Section 13389 of the California Water Code.
10. The Board has notified Texaco Inc., and Gibson Environmental Inc., and interested agencies and persons of its intent to rescind waste discharge requirements, and has provided them with an opportunity for a public hearing and an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.
11. The Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to the rescission of waste discharge requirements for the above discharge.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Order No. 79-5 is rescinded.

I, Steven R. Ritchie, Executive Officer do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region on January 19, 1994.


for
STEVEN R. RITCHIE
Executive Officer